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ONE OF GOULD'S FINE GAMES.

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE PACIFIC RAILROAD INVESTIGATION.

The Commission Learning About the Central Branch Consolidation, a Step from Which President Grant Took His Sudden Rise in the Price of Stock—Leland Stanford's New Plan of Settlement.

It was promised that the inquisitorial sessions of the Pacific Railway Commission would cease on Oct. 1, but the members of that investigating body, finding that they were not sufficiently enlightened regarding the history of what is known as the Central Branch of the Union Pacific, summoned before them this morning Counselor Eefingham H. Nichols to testify on this subject.

From the investigation already had it appears that this 100 miles of road from Atchison westward was known as the Atchison and Pike's Peak Railroad until it was unloaded on the Union Pacific in 1879 by Jay Gould in his grand consolidation scheme. It never paid the interest on its debt, which it had funded at something like \$650,000 prior to the consolidation, and its stock was selling at as low as \$50 a share. This road, which, with its feeders, embraced a system of about three hundred miles, was gobbled up by Gould, who paid as high as \$250 per share for it by the transaction, for he turned in the road in the consolidation scheme at exactly the same figure which he had paid, and resold it at a nominal price to his Missouri Pacific system. This he did and it has ever since been a part of that system, paying to the Union Pacific its net earnings for a rental, and providing a particularly good thing for Gould on his St. Louis haul.

What the Commission desired to know was how the acquisition of this road, which was worth not more than \$50 per share, increased the value of the Government's lien for the payment of \$250 per share for its stock and its subsequent lease to a rival system at a nominal rental. Mr. Nichols, who was the treasurer of the road at the time of its transfer, was accordingly summoned as a witness.

The session of the Commission was lined with ominous-looking black boxes, which bore appropriate inscriptions announcing their contents to be the testimony taken, and documents and accounts submitted and gathered in the six months of the investigation. Their arrangement on the shelves gave the session a peculiarly gloomy and vaulted and that idea was heightened by the remembrance that many of them contained the buried hopes of the stockholders of the Union Pacific.

All the members of the Commission were present, and the first matter considered by them was a telegram from Leland Stanford, of California, in a suggestive manner of settlement of the differences between the Government and the Central Pacific Railroad. He said:

"I desire to suggest that the commission report in favor of the appointment of a proper court to consider the equities existing between the Government and the Central Pacific Railroad Company, as required into in accordance with the act of Congress approved March 3, 1875, and to report thereon."

Then the question what further legislation may be needed can be fairly considered. I consider that the act of Congress is a different standard by which to measure the relations between the railway company and the Government from purely legal relation theretofore existing.

This proposition was suitably received and accepted by the commission, and the question, and attention was turned to witness Nichols, who had entered.

He is a tall man, with a sparse growth of gray hair ineffectually striving to hold back the baldness, and when not engaged in reading, his bright eyes are shaded by a pair of extensive gold-bowed spectacles.

Mr. Nichols desired to make what he called a general statement, giving the history of the Central Branch, together with the cost of its construction, and, no objection being interposed, he proceeded to do so.

At the time of the purchase of the Atchison and Pike's Peak in 1867, with Erastus Corning, H. M. Pomeroy, Chauncey Vibbard and others, Mr. Nichols said that its assets were 1,600 horses, 1,000 United States bonds, and \$1,000,000 in stock besides its lands.

The witness's evidence, giving the history of the road, was in the nature of an argument. He cited the fact that the consolidation of the road with the Hannibal and St. Jo road was authorized, as was the final extension of the road to connect with the Union Pacific at the one hundredth meridian.

Argument was had before Solicitor-General Phillips in 1879, Mr. Nichols, Benjamin R. Curtis and Wm. H. Evans appearing for the extension, and it was decided that the road had a right to extend and receive the Government lands and bonds, and General Grant, then President, approved the map by affixing his signature.

"Afterward," said the witness, "Mr. Boutwell, the Secretary of the Treasury, whose whole policy appeared to be to reduce the public debt, no matter what the result might be, yielded to public clamor against the Pacific roads and interfered with the President, who recalled our map, tore his signature therefrom and placed the piece in his desk, referring the matter to Secretary Boutwell, and there it remains to this day. I went to Gen. Grant and asked him what was the matter, and he showed me the piece of the map containing his signature and told me not to be disturbed."

The witness became excited as he reverted to the wrongs that had been heaped upon him and his friends in the matter of the extension of this road, and he punctuated his statements with decided periods, indented upon the surface of the table with a goodly-sized fist.

Commissioner Anderson suggested that the map was recalled by President Grant because it was discovered that the Atchison and Pike's Peak road had no right under the act of 1867 to extend further than 100 miles beyond Atchison, whereupon Mr. Nichols triumphantly turned to the text of the act to prove that the Kansas Pacific was to connect with his road at that point, and failing to do so, the Atchison and Pike's Peak road might extend.

Mr. Nichols said that his interest in the road was \$10,000, of which one tenth he owned. In relation to the sale of the road in 1879 to Gould, he said that a few months prior to that transaction Oliver Ames, who had a large interest in the Union Pacific road, came into the management.

"I sold all my stock at \$250 per share," said the witness, "but that did not represent

JOHNNY BARRETT'S SLAYER.

LONGOBARDI HELD FOR THE GRAND JURY BY THE CORONER.

The Dead Boy's Father Tries to Reach Longobardi, and When Prevented, Says: "Can't You Give Me a Chance?"—Witnesses Relate the Story of the Shooting to Coroner Edman.

LL, the spare room in the Coroner's court-room was filled this morning when the inquest on the death of sixteen-year-old John Barrett was begun before Coroner Edman. Young Barrett was the son of Policeman Thomas Barrett, of the Oak street station. On the night of Oct. 16, while defending his sisters from the insults of two Italians near the corner of Park row and Roosevelt street, he was shot and mortally wounded by Giuseppe Longobardi, of No. 32 Cherry street.

Shortly after 10 o'clock Longobardi was brought into court. He looked pale, restless and anxious, and kept his gaze fixed on the reporters' table, only raising his eyes as each new witness was called. The blow which the dead young man struck him, on the night of the assault, still disfigured his face, a swollen right eye and discolored skin giving evidence of its severity. Longobardi, dressed just as he was on the night of the murder, a red and white striped handkerchief rolled about his neck taking the place of collar and tie, his finger kept twisting nervously throughout the hearing.

When witnesses described the circumstances of the shooting he moved uneasily in his chair. Following him into the court-room were his mother, accompanied by her daughters Mary, aged eighteen years, and Annie, aged eleven years, who was with her sister at the time of the attack. They were all dressed in deep mourning.

Charles Selang, proprietor of a shooting gallery at No. 153 Park row, who was next called as a witness, identified the prisoner as one of the two Italians whom he saw at Park row and Roosevelt street on the night of Oct. 16. He also identified the Barrett girl, who he also saw at the same time.

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Troops Centralizing, and Appearances Indicate a Speedy March.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 25.—A Fort Meade special says: The troops did not leave yesterday for the Crow Reservation on account of the snow, which fell fifteen inches deep, and because of the cold, which was sixteen degrees below zero. They expect to go to-day.

The Adjutant-General of the department in this city says the order to march has been suspended for the present. One of the prominent Republican leaders said this afternoon at the Fifth Avenue Hotel: "We may, after all, nominate Mr. Martine. If Mr. Nicolli declines to be nominated, the nomination will be made for him. He is a man of high character and will be a credit to the party."

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IS THE CHURCH TO FIGHT GEORGE.

A Story That All Catholics Who Help His Cause Will Be Excommunicated.

An Albany despatch states that a rumor is afloat that in all the Catholic churches throughout the State the officiating clergy will next Sunday morning instruct their parishioners, on pain of excommunication, not to take part in the canvass being made by Henry George and Dr. McGlynn. The despatch adds that no efforts will be spared by the Catholic church in crushing the McGlynn movement.

Archbishop Corrigan and his acting secretary, Father Daly, are out of town, the Archbishop being on an ecclesiastical tour of visitation and confirmation to the Hudson, and nothing could be learned at the archiepiscopal palace.

Rev. Father Colton, pastor of St. Stephen's church, says that he has received no such instructions, and that no priest would make any such proclamation unless authorized by the Archbishop or by the Bishop of his diocese. He said that he would be glad to see the contrary to the policy of the church, which does not officially participate in politics.

"Of course," he added, "every priest has his own private opinions, likes and dislikes, and he is privileged to express them to members of his congregation or others privately, but not officially, and a priest who did express his political opinions from the pulpit would be censured."

Monsieur Preston was found at his office in Mulberry street, but he refused to affirm or deny the rumor. He said, however, that no Bishop had authority over the whole State.

By Catholics it is generally thought that the rumor grew out of the action of Bishop McGuire, of Rochester, who last Sunday denounced from his pulpit St. Patrick's Cathedral, in that city, those Catholics who sympathize with rebellious Dr. McGlynn, and threatened them with excommunication if they did not desist.

MR. GRACE'S PERUVIAN CONTRACT.

Nothing More Heard of the Government's Adverse Action.

The news printed in this morning's WORLD of the refusal of the Peruvian Government to submit to Congress the contract signed in London by Dr. Jose Arambur, was much talked of downtown this morning by those familiar with the proceedings of the Government.

The Peruvian President and the Ministers were unanimously agreed on this course, though the Ministers have since tendered their resignations.

This course on the President's part was considered a difficulty with Chili at the thirteenth and fifteenth stipulation of the peace treaty with that Republic.

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BURIED IN BURNING RUINS.

One Man Killed Outright and Three in the Debris of a Glass Falls Mill.

GLASS FALLS, N. Y., Oct. 25.—Information has been received here of the destruction by fire of the Warner Mills, a new pulp and paper mill, at Corinth. The walls of the building were finished and the interior of the structure was being completed.

John Mallory was killed, and three other persons, whose names are unknown here, were buried in the debris.

INTERFERING WITH MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

DEBIL, Oct. 25.—The Government has proclaimed the meeting convened by the Mayor of Cork to protest against the Recorder of that city being permitted to adjudicate on the appeal of Mr. O'Brien from the Mitchellstown verdict. It is expected that a determined effort will be made to hold the meeting under the authority of the City Corporation, in defiance of which the Government would involve violation of municipal rights.

WILL THE CARP AND EMPEROR MEET?

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 25.—M. Giers, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the French ambassador in advising and exhorting the Emperor to meet the Emperor William, although the national sentiment is against such meeting.

BARONESS VON OPPENHEIM DEAD.

COLOGNE, Oct. 25.—The Baroness Von Oppenheim, wife of the well known banker of this city, is dead after a lingering illness. She was almost as famous as her husband, on account of his great benevolence, private and public.

TO VACCINATE ON NIGHT.

A Corps of ten medical inspectors started out from the Bureau of Contagious Diseases of the Health Department this morning, armed with lancets, vaccine and disinfectants, and instructed to visit each house in the Bohemian district and vaccinate every person found. This action is taken because of the large number of cases of smallpox found in that quarter during the last six months.

SNAKE FROM THE HOUND.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—William's California Block, in this city, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$50,000.

PREVAILING, Oct. 25.—The coke operators say that they will not grant the six per cent. advance demanded by the Knights of Labor cokers. They do not fear a strike.

RECAPITULATES, Oct. 25.—The schooner Sun-Haven, Capt. Megahith, Boston, which anchored off Cape Verde at 11 a. yesterday in a heavy south-east gale and parted both chains, was towed into this harbor by the United States steamer Verbera at 9 a. m. to-day.

KILLED BY A FALL FROM A ROOF.

Godfrey Suppon, sixty-eight years old, fell from the roof of his house, No. 78 Stanton street, to the yard and was instantly killed early this morning.

WILL MR. NICOLL ACCEPT

The Republican Committee Looking for Him All Morning.

An Effort to Induce Republicans to Indorse Mr. Martine Also.

Members of the Republican State Committee Advise the Withdrawal of Mr. Lyon—The Prospects Getting Brighter of Tonight's Convention Nominating the Candidates Demanded by the People—Citizens Actively at Work—County Democracy Leaders Intending—Republicans Who Want Martine and Nicolli on the Ticket.

HE committee appointed by the Republican caucus to notify Mr. De Lancy Nicolli of his selection as the people's candidate for District-Atorney, met at the Fifth Avenue Hotel at half-past ten o'clock this morning.

The committee consists of Charles N. Taintor, Police Justice Solon B. Smith, Elhu Root, William H. Bellamy, S. V. R. Orger, Sheridan Shook and Police Justice Patterson.

Mr. Root and Mr. Orger said they would endeavor to find Mr. Nicolli, and would arrange for the full committee to wait upon him.

While the members of the committee were at the Fifth Avenue Hotel a relative of Mr. Nicolli walked into the corridor. He told Mr. Orger that Mr. Nicolli was somewhat disappointed because the Republican Conference had not recommended Mr. Martine's nomination for Judge of the Criminal Court. Mr. Orger inferred from the conversation with Mr. Nicolli's relative that the young prosecutor of the hoodlums might accept the Republican nomination.

Most of them did not care to express an opinion in regard to Mr. Martine's nomination, or to say whether they would favor the withdrawal of Mr. Lyons as a candidate, and the substitution of Mr. Martine for Judge.

The members of the Republican State Committee are advising the nomination of Mr. Martine by the caucus. They say that Mr. Nicolli refuses to be a candidate on the ticket unless Mr. Martine is also named. Mr. Nicolli's wishes should be complied with and granted.

The Chairman of the Executive State Committee, "Mr. Martine is also nominated the entire ticket would be elected. I am certain of that. It would also help on state ticket."

The notification committee has sent a letter to Mr. Nicolli informing him that he is the choice of the Republican party for District-Atorney, and asking him if he will accept the nomination.

The committee will meet this afternoon to receive Mr. Nicolli's reply. If he says he cannot accept the nomination unless Mr. Martine is nominated, the Republican leaders will have another conference before the County Convention meets this evening.

There is still a chance of Mr. Martine being placed on the ticket. One of the prominent Republican leaders said this afternoon at the Fifth Avenue Hotel: "We may, after all, nominate Mr. Martine. If Mr. Nicolli declines to be nominated, the nomination will be made for him. He is a man of high character and will be a credit to the party."

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THE PARTING OF THE WAYS.

Will the Republican Party Go Forward to Victory or Defeat?

I would vote for Nicolli on any ticket. Mr. Martine, I don't know as much about but think he is all right.

Mr. Vail, of Sullivan, Vail & Co.—"I will support Nicolli and Martine."

Mr. Lewis, of Lewis & Yale—I am in favor of anything for honest government. Martine and Nicolli are the bill.

Mr. John Claffin, of H. B. Claffin & Co.—I would support the ticket without any hesitation.

J. R. Pitcher, Secretary of the United States Mutual Accident Association: Martine and Nicolli are the ticket.

Ex-Alderman Morris: "I think the Republican convention will commit a great blunder if they fail to nominate Nicolli and Martine—such a course will add thousands of votes to the county and State tickets. Martine and Nicolli have worked zealously to prosecute the hoodlums, and both of them should be supported."

President James G. Smith, of the Stock Exchange—I am in favor of both Nicolli and Martine, and should heartily support them if they were nominated on the Republican ticket.

Jesse Seligman, banker—We are going to support whatever ticket the convention nominates. I will support Martine and Nicolli upon it ought to deter no good Republican from cordially supporting it.

Henry Glavin, broker—Both Nicolli and Martine have done well in the past. Martine is a man of high character and will be a credit to the party. Nicolli is a man of high character and will be a credit to the party.

W. S. Miller, grain trader—I want to see the Republican ticket elected, whatever it may be. I will be satisfied if the names of Martine and Nicolli are on it.

A. G. Goff, lawyer—I am in favor of Nicolli and would willingly support him. As for the General Sessions Judgeship, I would prefer to support Lyon rather than Martine.

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W. H. Trufon, broker—I hope the Republican ticket will be elected. Martine and Nicolli. They will both be elected.

Jesse Hoyt, grain trader—I am gratified that Nicolli has been named for the District-Atorney, and trust that he will accept the nomination. I would support Martine cordially if the party indorses him.

Daniel E. Tuttle, broker—Give us Martine and Nicolli. They are the very best men for the job.

C. Penberton Wurts, jr., Delaware and Hudson Coal Company—I should prefer to vote for Nicolli and Martine for the offices for which they have been nominated than any other ticket. Martine and Nicolli are the ticket.

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No Mandamus to Compel the Appointment of Election Officers from Among Henry George's Followers—Permittees Granted to Sue, but the Matter Settled as Far as This Year's Election is Concerned.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

ALBANY, Oct. 25.—The Court of Appeals has affirmed the proceedings of the Police Commissioners in refusing to appoint the fifth Inspector of Election. The decision was given in the suit brought by John McMackin and other representatives of the United Labor party. The court gives the plaintiffs in the mandamus proceedings against the Board leave to apply to the Supreme Court for the trial of the issues forthwith before one of